

## AIRSHIP AND AUTO FOR USE IN BATTLE

America Keeping Pace With  
Foreign Countries in  
Experiments.

### FIGURE IN NEXT CONFLICT

Balloons and Motor Cars Already Suc-  
cessfully Employed by the  
Army.

Armies of the world are being led in  
the innovation of modern instruments of  
warfare by the United States, which al-  
ready is successfully experimenting with  
and preparing to adopt both balloons and  
automobiles for practical use in case of  
possible conflict.

The Signal Corps of the Army, which  
has been quietly experimenting for some  
time, now has six balloons which are  
available for use, and five automobiles;  
the Quartermaster's Department has  
half a dozen large automobiles, and are  
experimenting with others which may be  
purchased at an early date; the Medical  
Department has one regular touring  
car, and one ambulance, and is consider-  
ing the advisability of having other am-  
bulances constructed for its special use.

#### Signal Corps Experiments.

While no practical demonstrations  
have been made with the balloons, ex-  
periments which have been conducted  
leave no doubt in the minds of the offi-  
cials as to the value that would result  
in the work of the Signal Corps if they  
were put to service in time of need. All  
the automobiles have gone through vari-  
ous tests and nearly all of them have  
been put to service at different army  
posts.

So satisfactory have been the results  
of the experiments with both the bal-  
loons and automobiles that the officers  
of the army, as well as War Department  
officials, from Secretary Taft down, are  
convinced that the methods of warfare  
would be revolutionized by their use.

Not satisfied with the balloons al-  
ready available for use, the Signal  
Corps, of which Brigadier General Allen  
is the chief, has just placed an order  
with Louis Goddard, the Paris balloon  
maker, who manufactured the bags for  
the Wellman airship expedition that is  
now en route to the North Pole. This  
balloon will carry two persons and will  
be filled with a new compound, known  
as hydrolyte, manufactured by the  
French company. The Signal Corps is  
anxiously awaiting the delivery of this  
balloon, in order to determine the mer-  
its of hydrolyte in comparison with  
hydrogen gas.

#### Watching Foreign Armies.

For a number of years Signal Corps  
officials have been quietly watching the  
results of experiments with the means  
of aerial navigation by foreign armies,  
particularly Germany. As a result, a  
German balloon was recently purchased.  
This is known as a "dragon balloon,"  
and it is thought that it can be relied  
upon for valuable service. The other  
five now in the possession of Signal  
Corps are the ordinary pear-shaped  
bags, of different sizes, some capable of  
carrying two or three persons.

The automobiles of the Signal Service  
demonstrated that they were worth sev-  
eral times their cost in San Francisco  
during the recent fire following the  
earthquake. One passenger and one  
freight machine were there at the time,  
and they were promptly put to constant  
use by Generals Greely and Funston,  
the officers using the passenger machine  
in their necessary trips over the city,  
while the freight was used in convey-  
ing relief supplies to different sections  
of the city.

#### Autos at Camp Roosevelt.

The machines of the quartermaster's  
department are meant for use of the  
officers in the field, and they will be  
put to their first really practical tests  
in August at the maneuvers in different  
sections of the country. One has been  
assigned to Gen. Fred D. Grant, at Mt.  
Gretna, Pa., where the District militia  
will go into camp; one to Fort Benjamin  
Harrison, at Indianapolis; one to Fort  
Oglethorpe, at Jacksonville, and others  
to posts in the West and Southwest.

#### SCRAPS.

King Edward is fond of pigeon racing  
and has participated actively in it.

Mrs. James Brown Potter is to ap-  
pear as Mary Queen of Scots in the  
play which she has accepted for her re-  
turn to the stage.

Senor Casasus, the ambassador of  
Mexico to the United States, has gone  
to Europe on account of ill health, and  
will not return until fall.

The German Emperor, who recently  
has added a Spanish uniform to his  
stock of clothes, has the biggest ward-  
robe of any sovereign in the world.

Queen Alexandra possesses a tea ser-  
vice of sixty pieces, each piece being de-  
corated with a different photograph which  
she took herself in Scotland.

Tolstoy is reported to be in excellent  
health. He reads less than formerly,  
but his reading now consists of Eng-  
lish and American works on labor ques-  
tions.

The only venomous bird known is the  
"death bird" of New Guinea. The bite  
of this bird causes intense pain in  
every part of the body, loss of sight,  
convulsions, and finally death.

It is said that Gen. Sir Redvers Buller  
is such an excellent cook that he would  
have little difficulty in obtaining a first-  
class chef's position in a West End hotel  
in London.

In the new Nevada the "bad man" is  
a missing figure, and the contrast be-  
tween these present-day camps of Tomo-  
pah, Goldfield, and Burro, and their  
predecessors of the Comstock, is wide  
and impressive—Outing.

Gen. J. C. Jamieson, a Missourian  
of the old school, is probably the great-

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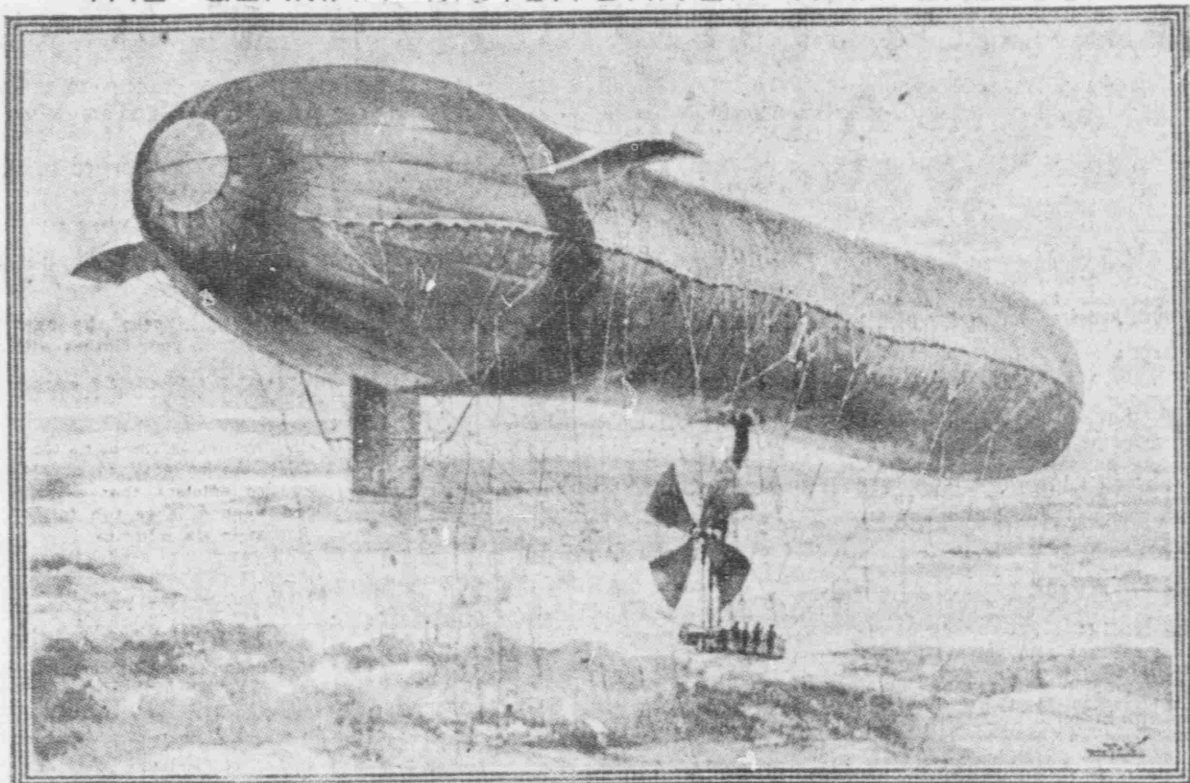
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## ARMORED AUTO FOR OFFICERS IN THE FIELD



The automobile has been tried before the Kaiser. It is protected by armor six millimeters thick. In actual warfare it would be completely covered by an armored hood, and the wheels would be guarded by circular plates of steel armor. In front are two loopholes with shutters for quick-firing rifles. Inside it is fitted with leather pouches containing a small battery of quick-firing pistols for use in case of an attack at close quarters.

## THE GERMAN MOTOR-DRIVEN WAR BALLOON



The balloon with which the German army authorities have been experimenting has a long, tor-  
pedo-like envelope. It is kept rigid, not by any framework, but by two small balloons within the  
great envelope. These are kept continually taut by air pumped into them by the motor, which also  
drives the screw. It is kept even by two rigid horizontal planes fixed to the sides of the balloon above  
the rudder. The inventor, Major von Perseval, claims that his balloon can be deflated and packed up  
very much quicker than any other existing aerostat.

est bird lover in Oklahoma, and is a  
strong advocate that the territory adopt  
as a part of their curriculum the study  
of birds and their protection in public  
schools.

The governor of Herat has presented  
the following report to the Amir of Af-  
ghanistan: "The behavior of the army  
is satisfactory, and there have been no  
cases of serious crime. The Herat  
army now says its prayers five times  
a day, and the men are becoming pukka  
(very good) Mussulmans."

That the earth is growing temporarily  
warmer is shown by the mountain gla-  
ciers. These are made by varying tem-  
perature and moisture to increase and  
diminish in size during periods of years  
that may be found to be more or less  
regular cycles, and a period of quite  
general decrease began about forty-five  
years ago.

The brightness of the corona, or ring  
of light encircling the sun, was meas-  
ured by Charles Faby during the last  
total eclipse. He found the light of a  
point a twentieth degree from the sun's  
edge to be equivalent to about 79 can-  
dles-power, or a little more than a fourth  
of the brightness of the full moon. The  
sky near the un eclipsed sun is 2,000  
times as bright.

A gardener in Korea has formed a  
natural arm-chair by twisting a grow-  
ing vine to the required shape. It is  
also studded with seeds of the ginkgo  
tree, which have grown into the fibre of

the vine. After the chair was fashioned  
in this way it was cut from the ground,  
dried and polished until it resembled  
mahogany. It is 3 feet 4 inches high,  
25 inches wide and weighs 100 pounds.

It is a traditional etiquette custom in  
the Marlborough family for each duke  
to present a Blenheim spaniel to the  
duchess when she enters Blenheim pal-  
ace for the first time as its mistress.  
The story is that during the battle of  
Blenheim, a spaniel followed the heels  
of the great duke throughout the day,  
never leaving him until victory was  
assured.

British Commercial Agent Bell, in re-  
viewing American business in 1905, says:  
"There are no signs at present of this  
great activity decreasing. On the con-  
trary, there is every indication that the  
present year will be quite as prosper-  
ous as the past, or more so. The coun-  
try was never more prosperous than at  
present. Industrial operations are car-  
ried on upon a larger scale than ever."

On July 5, 1906, a monument com-  
memorating the defense of New Haven  
against the British, by the students of  
Yale College, July 5, 1781, will be un-  
veiled. It is at present being made by  
James E. Kelly, the sculptor. The  
memorial is to be erected on the site  
at West bridge where the attack took  
place. The principal feature of the  
work is to be a bronze group of three  
figures of youths operating a piece of  
field artillery. It will cost about \$30,000.

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## BRADFORD RETIRES; LONG IN THE NAVY

Rear Admiral Leaves the  
Service on the 22d of  
July.

After having spent forty years in the  
naval service of his country, Rear Ad-  
miral Royal B. Bradford will be placed  
on the retired list July 22.

Admiral Bradford at present is in com-  
mand of the Fifth Division, Third  
Squadron, of the Atlantic fleet, consist-  
ing of the cruisers Minneapolis (flag-  
ship), Des Moines, Denver and Cleve-  
land, which has been on a practice cruise  
with midshipmen to European waters.  
Several weeks ago the four cruisers left  
Annapolis and spent some time among  
the Madeiras and Azores. Orders have  
been sent to the admiral in command,  
at Fayal, Azores, for him to proceed at  
once with his squadron to Frenchman's  
Bay, Maine, where, on the date of his  
retirement, it will be disbanded and the  
different vessels will be assigned to spe-  
cial duty.

The Minneapolis will probably be as-  
signed to the duty of carrying one of the  
State naval militias out on its annual  
summer cruise.

#### Admiral Bradford's Record.

Rear Admiral Bradford was born in  
Maine and appointed from that State to  
the Naval Academy in 1861. He has  
spent eighteen years and five months  
in sea service and twenty-four years  
and four months on shore and other  
duty, having experienced since his en-  
trance into the service less than two  
years of unemployment time, which is  
rather an unusual record. He was pro-  
moted, through the different grades, to  
rear admiral November 23, 1904, and has  
been in command of the Third Squadron  
since October 27, 1905.

#### Promotions to Follow.

As a result of Admiral Bradford's re-  
tirement, Capt. William Swinburn, a  
member of the General Board, will be  
promoted to the grade of rear admiral.  
Commander William H. Southland,  
now commanding the American warships  
in Dominican waters, will be promoted to  
the grade of captain, and Lieut. Com.  
C. C. Marsh will be raised to the grade  
of commander.

Rear Admiral Bradford was in com-  
mand of the naval forces in Dominican  
waters for several months after the  
first of the year, during which time the  
revolutionary situation looked threat-  
ening. He was withdrawn late in the  
spring for the foreign cruise.

## FLORIDA AVENUE DAIRY DOING THRIVING BUSINESS

Out at 126 Florida avenue northwest, is  
a dairy that has not seen many years  
established, but it is a model in clean-  
liness. John Hartung is the proprietor,  
and his business methods and attention  
to detail have already won him a large  
share of patronage. Customers who get  
their milk from Hartung's Dairy, are  
assured of the utmost care in its hand-  
ling. The milk is dipped from the cans  
into bottles. Instead of using the ma-  
chine holders. This is done so that no  
sour milk can get into the bottles. Mr.  
Hartung has recently begun the manu-  
facture of ice cream, and is ready to  
cater to those who want the best. Re-  
sults have already confirmed his busi-  
ness judgment in taking this step.

## RETIRES THIS MONTH



REAR ADMIRAL R. B. BRADFORD,  
Who Has Been in the Naval Service for  
Forty Years.

## SMITHSONIAN TROPHY DEPENDS ON MEMORY

Unless Henry Noble Can Remember  
Institution's Will Lose  
Collection.

PITTSBURGH, July 14.—Unless Henry  
W. Noble, of Hartford, Conn., can re-  
fresh his memory the Smithsonian In-  
stitution, of Washington, D. C., will  
be deprived of a valuable addition to  
its civil war collection.

Noble is unable at present to recall  
where, in Allegheny, he placed an an-  
tique hunting knife used on the old Lin-  
coln farm, while he called on former  
friends in different sections of the city.

He distinctly remembers requesting  
some person to take care of the knife  
for a few minutes until he would return,  
but this happened after that to blur his  
memory as to the exact location.

The knife was the property of Andrew  
Jacobson, of Kentucky, and Noble had  
been commissioned to transport it to the  
Smithsonian authorities at Washington.

## SCHOOL GIRL WHO ELOPED WANTS MARRIAGE ANNULLED

CHICAGO, July 14.—The annulment  
of the schoolgirl elopement and marriage  
of Mrs. Florence Hull to J. Clark Hull  
is asked in a bill filed by the wife in the  
Circuit Court.

The complainant's identity is concealed  
beyond the fact that her maiden name  
was Clark, and Carl A. Ross is her  
guardian.

The bill relates that while Mrs. Hull  
was at a boarding school at St. Joseph,  
Mo., she was a frequent visitor. They  
finally eloped to Atchison, Kan., where  
they were married last August. Imme-  
diately after the ceremony, Mrs. Hull  
says, she repented and returned to  
school. She is eighteen years old, while  
Hull is said to be twenty-five.

Wonder what brand of health food  
that seventy-year-old pedestrian was  
advertising in going from Philadelphia  
to New York in twenty-three hours and  
seventeen minutes?

## NAVY YARD MEN TO BE THE HOSTS

Two Hundred Children and  
Mothers to Be Given Out-  
ing to River View.

### CHILDREN'S ONLY EXCURSION

Generosity of Uncle Sam's Men Make  
Possible Trip Down River for  
Poor Children.

Five hundred children and mothers of  
the city, who can have no other outing  
during the hot days of summer, are  
looking forward with pleasant anticipa-  
tion to the big annual excursion of the  
season to River View given by the em-  
ployees of the Navy Yard, Thursday,  
July 26.

Two years ago the first excursion of  
this kind was given by these men who,  
on this day, devoted their money and  
time to the pleasure of the little ones.

#### Navy Yard Committee.

The committee from the Navy Yard,  
who will look out for the details of this  
affair, are G. W. Price, chairman; A. J.  
Berres, vice chairman; J. L. Yeckel,  
secretary; Samuel Peake, treasurer; B.  
G. Ladd, William Crump, John C. Cross,  
S. D. Cole, A. T. L. Clair, David  
Thomas, C. T. Smith, S. W. Bowen,  
Samuel Schreves, J. Walter Edelin,  
Frank G. De Groot, Daniel J. Jones,  
William H. Disney, G. H. Griffith.

#### Athletic Games and Prizes.

The general charge of the children will  
be in the hands of Wallace Hatch, sec-  
retary of the summer outing committee,  
who will be assisted by Archibald Gil-  
fillan, of "Camp Good Will."

## BARGAINS IN PIANOS

July is the Month to Buy  
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Do you need a piano? If so, buy it  
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gains.

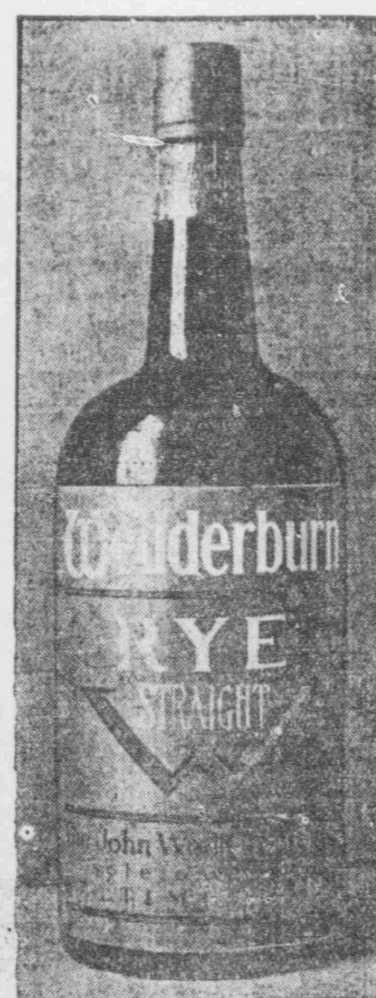
The F. G. Smith Piano Co., 1235 Pa.  
ave., has always made it a practice to  
hold their great annual Reduction Sale  
this month, as July is usually one of the  
quietest months of the year—and they  
take this method of making business by  
making extensive reductions on all the  
upright pianos returned from rental.  
This year they offer over twenty Upright  
Pianos in excellent condition at \$165 to  
\$225 on \$5 monthly payments. These in-  
struments are all fully guaranteed and  
include elegant stool and scarf, one  
year's tuning and free delivery. At these  
prices they are sacrificed at less than  
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